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PORTIONS

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## Response to Office Action

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2001 in connection with the abovereferenced application. A response to the Office Action is initially due on or before February 7, 2002 and thus, this Response is timely filed. Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity) Docket No. Applicant(s): Hall et al. EN998028 Group Art Unit Filing Date Serial No. Examiner 2 1 2002 03/20/98 Wong, A. 2613 09/046,121 Invention: ADAPTIVELY ENCODING A PICTURE OF COMP STED COMPLEXITY HAVING NORMAL VIDEO AND NOISY VIDEO PORTIONS RECEIVED TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: FEB 2 8 2002 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. Technology Center 2600 **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** ADDITIONAL **CLAIMS REMAINING** HIGHEST # NUMBER EXTRA RATE CLAIMS PRESENT AFTER AMENDMENT PREV. PAID FOR FEE \$18.00 \$0.00 TOTAL CLAIMS 37 37  $0 \mid x$ 13 0 | x\$80.00 \$0.00 INDEP. CLAIMS 13 = \$0.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) \$0.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT  $\boxtimes$ No additional fee is required for amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0457 (IBM) A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. Dated: February 07, 2002 Kevin P. Radigan, Esq. Registration No. 31,789 HESLIN ROTHENBERG FARLEY & MESITI P.C. I certify that this document and fee is being deposited 5 Columbia Circle with the U.S. Postal Service as on 02/ 07 /02

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